STATE CAPITAL.

NEW RAILROAD EPOCH IN THE STATE

Review of the New Routes Projected.

DIRECT AIR LINE TO MONTREAL

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The Town Bond System Applied to Railroad Enterprises.

The Continental System of Railroading to be Introduced on the Older Railroads. åcc.

Our Albany Correspondence. ALHANY, March 22, 1866. A NEW BAILBOAD EFOCH.

The present Legislature is the first succeeding the set-tlement of the national difficulties, and begins the era of peace. The influence of this is seen in almost every important speech, and gives tone to the leading action of both chambers. The scope of public enterprise has guined an extraordinary impulse, not only by means of the expansion of the currency, but more especially through the great energy given to the people of the volunteers who have taken a tive part in the work of There is no more demand for rethe late campaigns. ocults and the outlit of regiments, and the same energy displayed in that direction appears to find a channel nov in the increased activity of the people in local enter prise and the development of our domestic resources.

The large indebtedness of the towns and counties has given practical direction to their efforts in seeking every mode of enhancing the productiveness of taxable p operty, and overhauling the funded debts of all sorts by the proceeds of an accelerated industry.

The most prominent indication of this statement is to

De found in the upexampled freshet of bills here for cre sting, extending or improving the railroad facilities of the State. I have gathered in a few moments, glancing at my files, an incomplete list of these measures, as fo Sows:—The Platisburg and Whitehall Railroad, Susque banna road, Schencetady and Athens, Midland Counties, Rondont and Oswego, Schencetady and Ogdensburg, Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain, Platisburg and Mon 4. cat, Lake Champlain, Lebanon Speings extension, Fonda and Ogdensburg, all of which are either new roads or im-

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The properling idea in all these projects is borrowed from the recruiting system by which the towns and counties filled their quota of volunteers. They either provide that State aid shall be directly given to the roads, or that the towns shall subscribe for stock and issue their honds to secure the construction of the roads. Of these projects, the following are the most important.

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The Whitehall, Plattsburg and Moutreal road is the most important of all the projects at present or for many years before the Legislature or the public. It is a matter of astendishment that such a work should have been delayed to this hour for its completion. It will afford a direct route, almost an air line road from New York to Montreat, and enable that journey to be made over night in a sleeping car. The Hadson or Harlem road and their continuation to Saratoga and to Whitehalt will form the base of the new road, which only needs to be year up on the west shore of Lake Champlain to Plattsburg to connect with the existing Plattsburg and Montreal road and luternect with the Ogdensburg road, thus making a complete connection of New York as the terminus of the splendid Canadian rallways—the Great Wostern and the Grand Trunk. At present these Canadian roads debouch at Boston and Portland, and the Canadian roads debouch at Boston and Portland, and the Canadian trade is diverted from New York into New Encland for want of any thoroughfare through the great northern wilderness of this State.

The importance of this enterprise to the commerce of New York and to the intermediate cities of Plattsburg, Whitehall, Albany, &c., is obvious. That it should have been left to be built to so late a day as this seems of the Assembly and Senate, and, having passed the latter body, will be put upon its final parsage in the Assembly within a day or two. The building of the road is parity provided for by bonding the towns, and the eatire enterprise is in a condition for its immediate construction, the balance of all necessary means being now at hand for the purpose.

the balance of all necessary means being now at hand for the purpose. The road which has been projected and incorporated this winter through the midlant counties west of the Rudson river from New York to Ogdensburg had its final passege here to day in the measure suthorizing the towns and cities along the route to issue their bonds for the construction of the road. This measure will open up a new and important route across that of the Central Railroad, passing either through Syracuse or Attica to Lake Ontario at Oswego. The project of a canal around the Falls of Nisgara would give this route a preponder ance over almost any other, and it may be possible that the Welland canal will at some only serve the same purpose.

The Susquehauna road, from Albany to Binghamton, has been completed to Unsdilla, the State having advanced half a million of dollars in its aid through the pertunences advocacy of the noted Senator Ramsey, now the principal officer of this road. On Monday last road. On Monday last a number of members of the Legislature and railroad men made an agreeable extursion on this road to the village of Unadilla. The bid before the Legislature (in Assembly) calls for another half million dollars, the balance of the original extransic asket for to complete the road. It will probably

mate asked for to complete the road. It will probably pass.

This enterpoise was projected by Daniel Drew, and makes a terminus at Athens, some thirty miles below Albany and orgastic Hudson. The object is to bring the Central Railroad to a point below the queckend obstructions in the channel of the Hudson, so as to accommodate heavy reight on the ateamboats. The road runsing the barren flat lands below Albany between the river and the totakill hills from Athens to Schenectady. It will be opened and in running order next month. It has no legislation pending here.

OPENING OF THE WILDERINGS.

The great northern wilderness in this State is attacked on all udes, and bold fair to be opened up at last. I have not a will list of the surveys and projected rail-roads for the purpose. Through the Plattsburg, White-last, Saratora and Hudson River route the vast mineral wealth of this region can be brought within reach of the great commercial centre at New York city. The best from and steel in the world can now be manufactured in the charcoal furnishes of New York that it should be composited to find an outlet at New Haven, at Boston or at Portland.

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THE NEW BALEGORD SYSTEM.

All these movements indicate a new pioneering epoch in the railroad ng of this State. It is highly important to stiness at the same time the determination among the old roads to push their system to some forwardness on the path of improvement. There appears to be now well settled determination to brine up the established roads to the advanted system of English and European ritroads. The pioneer years have passed in such roads at the Central and the Rudson, and it is time they had devoted some attention to their perfection as public conveniences. Greater speed is the thing needed. The roads of New York are disgracefully slow. Twice the speed now in see should be reached. Iron bridges and converts, solid massonry for road bod, heavy engines, stronger tails and complete depots are needed. Private car accommodation, and necessarily higher rates of fare, stead the steeped. This whole matter needs overhanding.

ALBANY, March 22-11 P. M.

occupied all the evening in the Assembly, and, after an exciting debate, was ordered to a third reading by the previous of your of 72 to 9. The previous of the bill, it adopted, will reduce the receipts of the rail-roate of this State some millions of dollars. Its sadden gurees has created quite a seniation, and very lively times may be expected during the further progress of

A penoil study of "Sheep," by Ross Bonbaur, sold for \$337-50; Scene in Winter, by Mr. Seben, of Brussels, \$445; Landscape, with cattle, by A. de Bylandi, Holland, \$196; the Horoscope, by M. Calisch, a picture remarkable for its bold coloring and brilliant effects of light, was stubborally contested for, and sold at \$510; a Woodman's Hot in 'the forest of Fontainbleau, by Emile Lemmens, Paris, brought \$250; "As Kewer" ignoing to school, by the Dusseldorf artist F. Sonderhard, a cabinet picture of considerable merit, sold for \$225; an Alpha scene of Winterberger brought \$77.50; the Blone of Contention, by Z. Notarman, of Paris, \$150; the Order of Arrest, by V. Nehilg, an elaborately finished picture, brought \$406. Color's Gooble landscape, Italy and the Catakuli Creek, painted on the same panel, sold for \$12.54; "Cozette," from Victor Huge's "Les Miserables," by Eastman Johnson, provoked much competition, and finish; was knocked down for \$430; the Culprit Fay, by & J. Gray, brought \$195. Autumn in the Adriandeska, a landscape bilor, six inches by four, by J. M. Hart, \$105; Vivlen J. Merlin, by A. Chappel, \$50; Ebseep and Lamis, a very pretty entile piece by Eugene Verbockhoven, \$200. A Monarise, by Coleman, \$157.50. A small picture by Richards, of Philadelphia, "In the Woods," \$93; Rembrandt in His Studio, a microscopic cabinet picture of exquiente first, by H. Scheer, and includes and picture by Richards, by Steenbergern, railled some vigorous bidding, and was bonght by Barney Hall, by G. A. Aregier errous conspication serves in the West Indiae, and was bonght by Barney Williams for \$100; two companion landscapes, \$250. The Lacoranker, by J. Patrois, of Paris, 1816; "Perka-boo," by Hein Bengers, of Amsterdam, \$155, a fruit and flower piece, by A. Conder, of Paris, 1818, by J. F. Kensett, one of his most charming landscapes, \$200. The Lacoranker, by J. Patrois, of Paris, 1816; "Perka-boo," by Hein Bengers, of Amsterdam, \$155, a fruit and flower piece, by A. Conder, of Paris, 1816; "Perka-boo," by Hein Bengers, of times may be expected.

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Bills Before the Legislature.

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Senator Androw introduced a bill providing that every year hereafter the Board of Supervisors of the city and county of New York shall key and collect, and part of the others of the above distintion, a tax of the sum of sixty shollars for each child under two years of page and under two years of page and under ten, and one hundred dollars for each child under the care of the tastintion. This school to continue to participate in the distribution of the common school fund of the city.

enator C. G. Cornell introduced a bill providing for e amendment of the law passed April 12, 1606, by riking out section 9 and amending as follows. In order to provide for the more effectual and economical enviruetion of the sewers authorized by law, the Croton investment Board may contrast to pursuance of law, for such THE SPRING FASHIONS.

materials used in the senstruction of gewers, and the Compirollor of the city shall pay, on the requisitions of the board, the boards authorized to be issued for such materials, and the expenses for engineers, surreyors, impectors and other persons employed by the board.

SEC. 10. For the purpose of making the payments provided for by the preceding section, the Compiroller may issue assessment bonds in addition to those authorized by existing two, not to exceed the sum of \$100,000, to be made payable which first years from the date of issue, with interest not to exceed seven per cent. It shall be the duty of the board, upon the completion of any sewer constructed, to certify to the Board of Assessors the quantity of materials used and the price thereof, and the charges for engineers, det. &c., it order that the expectors may be properly apportioned. Grand Display of the Metropolitan Milliners-The Spring Styles in Dress Goods, Bonnets, Huts, Trimmings and Materials-The Novelties at the Principal Establishments.

DREW THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE METHODIST

PRESIDENCE SEMINARY OF THE METHODIST FISOOPAL CHURCH.

Senator Dew introduced a bill providing that the following corporators—viz: Daniel Drew, E. L. Faucher, Benjamin F. Manierre, Thomas Schuyler, Robert H. J. Baker, Charles C. North, Edw. S. James, Charles B. Sing, Morris D. Crawford, Archibald Foss, Daniel Carry, D. Brow Leon, M. Vincent and William H. Ferris—may of Putnam; a faculty and professorships in theology may be established, and graduates may lave conferred on them by the faculty honorary degrees in theology, &c.

Senator Gibson introduced a bill providing that the act designating the duties, &c., of the commissioners of deeds, passed April 10, 1830, be amended by striking out the words "when authenticated in the manner hereinafter provided" and the words "and authenticated."

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Folges, (rep.) of Ontario, presented a petition from Hugh B. Wilson, claiming an interest in the Under-

ground Railroad grant in New York.

Mr. C. G. CORNELL, (dem.) of New York, presented a

Mr. C. G. Connell, (dem.) of New York, presented a remonstrance against the erection of an engine bouse in Burling slip, New York.

Bills REPORTED.

Providing for the care and education of idle and truant children in Brooklyn (for the consideration of the Senate); to provide for the payment of certain expenses incurred by the Commissioners of Quarantine.

JUDGMESTS AGAINST THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A communication was received from the Comptroller of New York covering a statement of the amount of indigments obtained against the city during the past fiscal year; total amount \$129.059.76.

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By Mr. C. G. CONNELL—TO amend the act relative to sewerage and drainage in New York (it gives to the Croton Aqueduct Commissioners additional power in the matter of making contracts underlithe law of 1850;; to authorize the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to increase their capital stock to fifteen millions of dollars. By Mr. Low. (rep.) of Sullivan—To incorporate the Drew Theological Seminary of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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By Mr. Andrews, (rep.) of Otsego—Relative to the Nursery and Chill's Hospital in New York. It pravides that the city shall nay per annum, for each cool supported therein, \$60 if under two years of age. To if over two and under ten years of age, and \$100 if over ton

EVENING SESSION.

Assembly.

The special order, the Niagara Frontier Police bill, was considered in Committee of the Whole.

Mr. WILLIAMS, (dem.) of Eric, moved to amend by

Mr. Williams, (dem.) of Eric, moved to amend by maming as Commissioners Hiram Barton, Nelson K. Hopkins, Ephraim S. Havens, John L. Hutchinson and the Mayor of the city of Bulbio; which was lost.

Mr. Williams moved to further amend, that said Commissioners, together with the Mayor of Bulbio and Sheriff of Eric, constitute a Board of Police Commissioners, and further that the act be submitted to the popular vote of the district. He proceeded to address the House, when progress was reported and the bill made the special order for to-morrow morning.

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THE NEW CAPITOL.

After deviation until Monday evening.

After debate the motion was amended so as to make the bill the special order for Friday evening, which was adopted—yeas \$2, nays \$5.

The report of the office of Justice and Clerk of the Eighth Judicial district of the city of New York to December 31, 1899.

Mr. Curre (dom.) moved to recommit.

The motion was loss—yeas 34, nays 64. The bill was then passed.

To authorize Henry Soloyns, an alien, to hold real estate.

To enable the trustees of the Seamen's Fund and Re-treat to borrow money.

A recess was taken.

RVENING SESSION.

THE FED RAY ARRIGHT BLL.

The special order was the provide freight bill, which was considered by the House in Committee of the Whole. This bill compois all the railroads in the State to carry way freight at a scale of prices graduaded by the prices charged for through freight, with allowance for short distances over provides through rates.

The bill was discussed at length, and ordered to third reading by a vote of seventy-two to nine.

Adjourned.

There was a large sale of pictures last night at the Somerville Gallery, Broadway, belonging chiefly to a pri-

were good and some quite indifferent; but neither the owner nor the auctioneer have reason to complain of the

prices. The bidding was decidedly spirited among the

very numerous assemblage present, and we hardly think that any of the pictures sold below their intrinsic value.

The sale started with a small landscape, with sheep, by Van Dilghem, for \$55; a view in Holland, by Ruedorp

Van Dilghem, for \$55; a view in Holland, by Rusdorp, of the Hague, went for \$50; a somewhat indifferent landscape by A. Verons, very cold in tone, brought \$54 50; a winter scene, by Favelle, a small place, of rabbits feeding, by Tait, and an interior, by M. Armoux, brought respectively \$57 50, \$45 and \$25; a flower and fruit piece, by Mile. Roseborn, a

Dutch artiste, not presuming any remarkable merit, sold for \$57.50, "Ecarte," a very pleasing picture, harmoni-ous in color, with excellent relief and good drapery, painted by Reyntiers, of the Hagne, brought \$137.50;

the Bachelor, by Kirsch, sold for \$250; and several cabi net pictures followed at prices rating as high as \$225

an Italian study of a female head, evidently from nature but not very remarkable, by G. H. Boughton, brought

\$160; a very good marine picture, by Dr. Hass, with some fine transparent water, and a background of his

minous clouds, brought only \$150; it was worth more An approaching storm, by A. B. Durand; a landscape.

with some admirable effects of clouds, rain and sunshine intermingled, brought the highest price of any picture.

\$500; landscape, with figures, by Hellermans and Ver boeckhoven, for \$250, and an admirable exterior by Koeck

Koeck, of Amsterdam, "The Gate of Dinant," for \$135. The latter was knocked down to Mr. Barney Williams

A pencil study of "Sheep," by Rosa Bonbeur, sold for \$337 50; Scene in Winter, by Mr. Seben, of Brussels.

EVENING SESSION

ATHANY, March 22, 1866. THE PROSTICE POLICE SILL.

Incorporating the village of Port Jervis.

Athant, March 22, 1966.

The Cierk of the Weather is generally supposed to be no willing slave to fashion, and up to a late hour on Wednesday night the metropolitan milliners feared that their spring opening would be a failure on account of his obstinacy. It had rained heavily on Wednesday morn-ing, was gloomy and foggy during the day and ovening; n fact, for a week before, alternate rain, sleet and snow presaged bad weather for the opening day. But during the night of Wednesday a brisk breeze sprang up and dispelled the fog and mist, and Thursday morning was as cheerful, plessant and sunny as the most unreasonable could wisb. The fresh and bracing breeze served to reuder the day still more pleasant and enjoyable, and these attractions of nature, albeit apparently hesitatingly bestowed, added to those of the shop windows and in-teriors, naturally drew great crowds of ladies into Broad-

way and the other fashionable streets.

But even had the day been bad the modistes had no thing to fear. Women are the most arbitrary of charac-ters, and Dame Fashion and her milliners the most arbi trary of women; and not even the Clerk of the Weather could successfully interpose objections to the enjoyment of the occasion by both classes. The spring opening is always an event with the fair dames and for the fashion able milliners of New York. They never fail to enjoy it as the opportunity for the exercise of that grand passion of the female soul—display. On that day, when the one class displays wares-if bonnets, ribbons and laces can be called wares—and the other its beauty, they are heed-less alike of thermometrical and barometerial advice, and, in spite of wind and weather, brave Broadway and crowd the milliners' to excess. Yesterday they were upon the streets at a very early hour, and old merchants who never know when opening day comes "save by its wondered, as they repaired to business down town, why Broadway was thus early so full of ladies. Locomotion on the west side of that great thoroughfare was much retarded by the groups of ladies who stood gazing in the windows or hurried from shop to shop windows, while the interiors of the principal establish-ments on Broadway were crowded as a ballroom at the height of the season. The modistes appeared to be ora cies whom every lady was anxious to commut; and Diana of Ephesus, who foretold fortune and fate, was never nore courted and worshipped than our metropolitan who foretell and arrange the fashions. One would imagine from yesterday's display that a modiste's establish ment is at all times sacred in your true woman's eye. On opening day the modiste becomes a sort of saint, and THE STATE BANKING PERSHIPSET.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of the Banking Department setting forth that the fund now in his hands for the redemption of bills of insolvent sa ety fund banks, amounts to \$83,043 17; that since this has been accumalating four incorporated banks have failed, viz:—Lewis County, Bank, Yates County, Respiracity Bank and Bank of Orleans; that under an order of the Supreme Court of March 5, he is required to pay to the receiver of the Yates County Bank and some military of the Yates County of Sor additional legislation.

BILLS ADVANCED TO THIRD WEADING,
Incorporating the Workingmen's Union of New York. Considerable d-bate was had upon the bill authorizing William Beard and others to construct piers, builkheads and basin in front of their lands in the Twelfth ward of Brooklyn, pending which the Senate adjourned. the arbitrary dames who acknowledge no allegiance to mankind succumb to them. On opening day the modister is absolute; her taste "there is none to dispute." The woman who objects, like the woman who deliberates, is lost. Not to accept the style decided upon by the grand council of milliners is worse than death to woman; for it results in being ridiculed. With something of this emi-sacrod regard possessing them the ladies yesterday visited the different establishments, anxious to learn the new styles and materials, and to examine the specimens of bonnets, hats and dresses displayed.

BONNETS. One is launched upon a shoreless sea of description in attempting to narrate the beauties of yesterday's open ing. Our milliners seem to have exhausted not only their own inventive brains, but the establishments of Paris, to collect an assemblage of novelties with which to delight the fair dames of the metropolis, as evinced not only in the varied shapes of the bennets, but in the eadless variety of frimmings that emballish that most important garment which a well-dressed woman dens last, and yet on which she bestows more care than on all the rest of her toilet. Such "any fairy" creations, such combinations of delicate material, so becoming and yet such mere apologies of bonnets, were never before seen. It some styles curtains are senored; others have a most spallow pretence of headpiecos, and still others, carrying out the idea of

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Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown,
are minus crowns. In shape there is no radical change,
but such variations of former fashions that it is difficult
to trace the present modifications to their origin. We
have had Marie Stuarts before, but never so depressed
on the forelead or so widely curved at the throat. The
stiff and angular dimensions of the empire are modified
by endiess puffugs of illusion and ruches of tulle, while
streamers of the same fabre float from the top, on the
sides, behind and before, giving a peculiarly light and
graceful appearance, forming, in fact, an entirely different aspecies of the genus Empire. The fanchon is obsolete, but its beautiful effect is retained in an elegancrownless hat, by a handsome fall of lace, which produces
the same charming appearance, while the present style
sitt more securely on the head, being fastened there by ribbons and a bow at the back, thus making an apprepriate
surrounding for the popular coil a la Greege. Beside
these we have the inevitable gypsey. During the past
season there was an attempt made to introduce this
snape, but it failed on account of its unsuitability to the
wintry weather, and it was rarely used except in evening
hats; but now one can scarcely find anything else, and
it is bound to prevail. The varieties in this are the
spanish Gypsey, the Imperatrice and the Pamelas. These
are eminently the young lady is bonnet, and form a most
be witching headdress for the bright eyes and rosy checks
of misses in their teens. For the more, precise there are
other modes less prenoncie, and consequently more appropriate.

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In trimmings the tawdry gilt, which is happily banished, is replaced by most beautiful ornaments of jet, of straw and of silvered timel, that, "gittering in silver sheen," present a cool and refreshing contrast to the encity-tarnished gilt. This silvering is sometimes showered upon the crape like a delicate frasting; again, very light material is broidered with a thread of silver; and still another variety consists in attaching quantities of silver bees, of butter-flees and tiny birds to the most gossamer-like gauzes; and again, there are feathers of some again, there are feathers of some along the property of some silver there are feathers of some along the property of the content of again, very light material is broidered with a thread of silver; and still another variety consists in attaching quantities of silver bees, of batter flee and tiny birds to the most gessimer-like gauze; and again there are feathers of spun silver (or some thing that looks like it and will not tarnish), spun into threads as light and facecy as a marabout feather. In jet and straw we have a combination exceedingly appropriate for trimming the peopler leghorn. Clusters of straw flowers, with pendants and bells of jet, are handsome or naments. Then there are berries of jet, intermingled in hunches of fancy straw, connected around the bonnets by jet chains. The flekie Goddess of Fashion parades ber tyramy by exhibiting her subjects fettered and in chains, not so heavy nor so unswillingly worn as those of the captive Zenobia in the triumphal procession of her conqueror, but vastly less becoming, because evineing a thirst for novelty that forces the feminate choice out of the region of grace and beauty and gives to man the sought-for pleasure of excisiming, "Caprice, thy name is woman." These fashionable relies of a barbarous aga swing and daugle from every bounst and headdress; fastened at either side of the throat, they fall below the neck, on the bust, and almost to the belt. As to color, it is impossible to decide what will prevail. The ever-popular laventer, the like, violet, and the new tint "meon on the lake," are made up in every style, and met with special commendation at the openings. These shades look fresh and spring like now, and yet they endure the dust and cun of midsummer better than lighter shades. Pearly gray and blue, corn color and cerice are also popular combinations.

In veils we have squares of tails and of crope lises finished by wide herm, and occasionally by a narrow lace or rache. These are fastened at one corner on the left side of the hat, and are preferable to the long net veils now going out, which split and rall into folds.

In round hats there are several novelties, some of which, are

Continential and the Park hate, soliable for equestriences, and exquisitely trimmed.

At Mine Kahn a, No. 225 Sixth avenue, there was an imported chip gypecy, trimmed with real blonde lace. The crown is open a square of lace folds over the back, and the most delicate crap flowers trail from the top of the bounct over the lace at the crown, clambering on down to the threat, where they twine round the lilution strings.

There was also here a Neapolitan broidered with silver, the veil and strings being one piece of illusion; a wreath of resolution on the crise bandeau over the forehead.

At No. 42 University place there was a most distinguist page, triumed with cerise ribbon and black lace. There were ornaments of jet, connected by a chain of the same, on either side. Inside clusters of Marguerites made a beautiful face trimming.

Here, too, were handsome beaddresses. The Grecian and the Cothildes—the lister an invention of the princess of that name—was of Maria Louise byte silk, pudied at the forebead and having allver chains pendant at the front and book.

At R. Thompson & Co. 1s was also an extensive sweet.

root and book.

A. B. Thompson & Co.'s was also an extensive assert-ness, among which was a Marie Antoinetic in clap said suide of silver of the Grecian pattern. On the handess is the forehead were pendent crystal developes. The reli of erape two yards long was fastened at each ado-stitle cryst. camera. A tift of white heating belies at the

front, with green pendants over the crown, completed

front, with green pendants over this unique head covering.

A number of other establishments were visited during the day by admiring crowds, at all of which many recherche styles were displayed. Among those who attracted the greatest attention were the following:

BROADWAY—MINE, DEMOCRES, MIS, Mulch nock, MIS, Simmons, Miss D'Orsey, Mile, Barnett, Mine, Pagan, G. W. Baesford, T. Jouanique, Welch & Burke, Clark & McLaughlan, Thomas James, L. Binns, E. Mathers & Co., R. Thompson & Co., Mrs. Ratton, Mine, Hiller, Canal, Streket—Mine, Rallings, Mrs. Blake & Commings, Sherman & Roas, Misses Sterling, Ira Beard, K. & R. Gallier, Coley & Young, Mrs. M. J. Riggins, M. Daly, T. D. Sloane.

Mine, Kahn, M. T. Higgins, Mare, Markey, Miss.

ABY, I. D. Sioane.

SEXTH. AVENUE—Mme. Kahn, M. T. Higgins, Mime.
Alover, Mime. Aver & Miss Shug, Mime. Camillo Lacy.
Genar Joses Striker.—Mime. Bullimeyer.

DIVISION STRIKE.—H. Openhym, Mrs. M. Feely. Mime.

Jomon. LERIOV PLACE—R. Mein. UNIVERSITY PLACE—Mrs. Levins & Gosson. BOWERY—Miss Jamieson, Miss W. Fogarty, Mrs.

Dempacy.

HUDSON STREET—Mrs. McLaughlin.

FULTON STREET, BROOKLYN—J North, Miss Boyle.

In dress goods there are the mohair, the foulard the alpaca and pervales for spring wear. Those are in solid colors of the various shades, in small checks and in varied designs of small flaures. The polka dot, the Greciar square and nondescript chintz flaures are exceedingly prestiv.

square and nondescript chintz figures are exceedingly pretty.

In silks are the stripe, the check and polka dots. Stripes are most prevalent; both wide and narrow are displayed, but the narrow is most popular.

In organdles there is an endless variety. The striped and robes are, however, the especial favorites. The silk and woollen grenadines are of neat patterns—principally of black ground, with chintz figures.

Gores in the skirt are universal, oxe pt in very thin material. The seams are trimmed with buttons about a half yard deep. The corsage is round again, and shorter in the waist. With these round waists a belt is worn, fastened with rosettes. The cost sleeve still holds its place for thick material. Organdles are made up with the usual pufflogs and ruffles.

A gored dress—the Madeline—introduced by Mafame Demorest, whose establishm in was crowded from early

A gored dress—the Madeline—introduced by Madame Demorest, whose establishment was crowded from early morning till night, differs from the Gabrielle in having lappets in front and back, which are continuations of the side bodies. This made up very handsomely in lavender silk, with trimmings of garnet velvet.

Another dress at this establishment was of light silk, with three some circular ruffles of a contrasting color placed one above another at intervals on each width. There was also a double ruffle going up each width. The bodice was plain in from, with jockey basque behind.

MANTLES.

The talmas, it is said, will take the place of the closefitting basquines, so long worn. These, when made of
very rich material, are handsome, but still present a
negliga appearance, as they are never full dress.
Searfs, too, are coming into favor again. Shawls are
arranged in a hood behind, and are thus made most
exceedil extrements.

graceful garments.

Basques of silk, not fitting closely to the figure are still worn, caborstely trimmed with buttons of jet and gampure lace. These are sometimes made without selectes, but with a deep fall of lace from the arm hole, which had a very fine effect.

Musical.

The Ghloni-Susini opera troupe, under direction of Ma-Strakosch, commenced a short season (three nights) of opera in Charleston, S. C., on the 12th of March. Madame Rudersdorff is fulfilling an engagement

The National College of Music, in London, is about to be given up as a failure. The Marquis of Townshen guaranteed its support for two years, and the time has The Abbe Listz has arrived in Paris to superintend the

rehearsals of his new mass, the Crowning, to be per-formed, for the first time, in the church of St. Eustace, Emma is the title of a new ballet to be produced at

the Milan Scala. The following are the titles of some new Italian opera

just ready for production:—Veronica Cyce, by Signor Meiners, I Due Mariti, by Signor Nicola d'Arienzo; Giranni di Napeli, by Signor Coppola; Uberto da Bres ia, by Signor Bagetti.
It is said in London that Signora Ferni has made

faiture, in La Favorita, in Milan, having no voice for the Scala, and that Mr. Santley displayed judgment in refusing to sing in the opera with her.

Mr. Charles Adams has returned to London from

splendid effect is looked for, will make his first appear nace at Her Majesty's theatre, London, on the 7th of April. It is not generally known that Mr. Hobier was employed for four years as a clerk in the Secretary's office of Inland Revenue. He then became private secretary to Lord Dudley, who sent him to Italy to complete his musical education. Mr. Santley has thrown up his engagement in Milat

Mr. Balfe has completed a new opera, entitled The Knight of the Leopard, in Paris.

A new tenor, named Viturini, is singing with success in

Zilda, the new opera by Flotow, is in preparation at the Opera Comique, Paris.

Madame Lin !-Goidschmidt (Jenny Lind) is about t

indertake a concertizing tour through Germany. Patti has signed an engagement for three months with the opera in St. Petersburg. She is to have four

nundred pounds per night, or ten thousand pounds sterling for her stay in the Russian capital. M. Gounod's two act opera La Colombe is in rehearsal

at the Opera Comique, Paris.

Madame Carvalho, with Mile Nilsoun, were the prime lonee anodule at the first imperial concert of the Prench Court. The programme included the names of Gluck, Verdi, Mozart, Gouned, Auber and Gretry, so that the The violinist Sivori has given a grand concert in Mar-

tims of the choices. It resized the sum of fourteen thousand france. When the artist came forward to play the last piece a silver wreath was presented to him in the name of the city. Don Giovanni has been revived in Milan, at the Car-

ano. It is upwards of ten years since the great compo altion was heard in that city. The young French prime donna Irma Morio scatained the part of Donna Anna in a very artistic and pleasing manner. Giacomelli made an admirable Leperello. Garcia was a good Don Giovanni, but is spoken of as not equal to his predecessors in the part, Tamburini and Roncont. La Morio had an excellent benefit on the fifth night.

Madaine Frezzolini, the singer, has ordered a sale of her furniture, paintings and works of art in Paris, as she will be compelled to reside in Italy for the benefit of he benith.

Mme. Nantier-Didier. Tamberlick, and Graziani have reached Paris from St. Petersburg. Graziani was to ap-pear February 26, and was likely to take part with Fraschini and Mine. Grossi on the revival of Il Giura

It is denied that Napoleon presented a valuable bracelet

The musicians employed in the orchestra of the Grand Opera, Paris, lately demanded an increase of pay amount-ing in the aggregate, to 50,000f. in the year. The demand was submitted to M. Georges Haini, the conductor of the band, who reduced it by one half; it was then taken to M. Perin, the manager, who cut off 10,000f, more, and lastly, to the Minister of State, who reduced the remaining 20,000f, to 10,000f. The musicians are not satisfied, but they cannot resign as they would then

lose their service claims to a retiring pension, to which they are entitled after some years. The first of a series of concerts which is given in Lent each year by the Prefect of the Seine has just come off at the Hotel-de-Ville, Paris. It was brilliantly attended. Among the pieces performed were the overture to the the Africaine, song by Mile. Nilssen and Naudin; a piece from Guillaume Tell, an air from the Phile Enchant, and the Sincisc to the first act of Oberon.

At the Paris opera houses, February 27, L'Africa was performed at the Italien and Rigoletts at the Grand

M Leon Duprez, son of the tenor, will soon make his

first appearance as a baritone in Paris.

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PATTI TOO YOUNG TO GET MARRIED.

[Paris [Feb. 3] correspondence of Le Nord.]

For know that there has again been some talk of an approaching marriage of Miles Adelina Patti. Indeed it appears that the Parishan public are impatient to marry the young dies. We may see this from the eagerness with which they discuss the bridegroom, now a Ressian prince, now a Passish margeria, and again, as at present a great French Boble; but I can assers you that on this occasion, as an preceding ones, the new is contained for a long time, two years perfuses, for the marriage of Mile Patti. It is not that the dies of the challentheater is not old onough to marry; for along time, two years perfuses, for the marriage of Mile Patti. It is not that the dies of the challentheater is not old onough to marry; for along time there is not old onough to marry; for although the positio, thanks to her delicate figure and let almost infantis manners, perjust in giving her colly tempty years, and even ninetoen, I will fell you in confidence that her age is quite twenty-three. However Mile Patti is still a minor, she is a Spar and and in Spain women do not attain their majority until they are twenty dwe. It follows that the dies; sixth not be sangular position of Mile Patti. In virtue of a custrational at fair night, derives great implement from the sangular position of Mile Patti. In virtue of a custrational of a fair angle, derives great implement for temperinden, her gases are divided in a litre share, the first which he present of plan her own of these, of which goes to her relative, and the eccount of plan her own of these, of which she will be materied to join her own of these.

FIRES.

Pike's Cincinnati Opera House Destroyed.

Loss Estimated at Five Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Great Fire in the Oil Regions-A Mile of Flames.

FIRES IN THIS CITY.

Great Fire in Cincinnati-Destruction of Pike's Opera House-Loss \$500,000. Cincinnati, March 23-1 A. M.

l'ike's Opera House took fire from an explosion of gas t midnight. The whole building is in flames. Adams Express office; Rickey & Carroll, booksellers; Peters & Bros. ' music store. Wheeler & Wilson's sewing machine establishment, occupied portions of the building. The tructure will be entirely destroyed. Loss about \$500,000.

Breat Fire in the Oil Regions-A Mile of Flames-Many Wells Burned Out and Buildings Destroyed-One Man Burned to Death and Several Others Seriously Injured-Loss Estimated at \$150,000. PETROLEUM CENTRE, Pa., March 22, 1866.

The greatest fire ever known in Oil Dorado, excepting that of the Maple Shade, two years ago, has nearly ex hausted itself, leaving a horrid and fearful amount of The conflagration began at the Ocea Well, where two mon were engaged in caulk ing a new bank, containing oil to the amount of two hundred barrels. One of the staves was forced out at the bottom, which created a vacuum through which the oil ran out, and running down the run, it communicated with an engine house, and there caught from the fire in the furnace. From this point it rapily spread to the oil tanks of the Ocean Oil Company, Philadelphia, the Arctic well and No. 20. Patterson Dickey and No. 19, thence down the run to the different wells, five in number, belonging to the Breedin & Myers and Breedin & Tennent leases, which were soon envelop in one huge mass of flames. With no early means o shecking this fearful tide, it rolled onward down the run in flames, communicating with everything combusti-ble, sweeping every object before it. It soon found a channel, which carried the burning mass into Benneholi run, catching in its way three refineries, some thirty or more buildings and several wells in progress of drift ng. In less than fifteen minutes from the breaking out of the fire it was emptying itself into Oil creek, at the mouth of the ron, thus presenting to the eye a terrible mountain of black smoke and flame nearly a mile in

The damage is estimated at \$150,000. Patterson & Dickey, with the Ocean Oil Company are, the heaviest losers. Twenty thousand barrels of oil were consumed with the tankage. Some eighteen engine houses, derricks engines and the whole paraphernalia for sinking well engines and the whole paraphermans for sinking wells were destroyed. The Bennehoff and Oil Creek Rallroad sustained some \$500 damage. Two men are re-ported burned seriously, three fatally, and one— McKenzie—has just died at the McClintock House. He was the most horrid sight ever witnessed, being nothing but a blackened, charred mass of flesh extricated from the devouring element, and he was in every way unrecognizable. Another man is reported to have been burned to death in a derrick, and one jumped from the top of another derrick to save his life, and was injured slightly.

Large Fire at St. Johnsbury, Vt. Sr. Jonesneur, Vt., March 22, 1886 About half past seven o'clock last evening fire was discovered in the tin shop connected with the railroad repair shops in this place. The fire spread rapidly, and repair shops in this place. The fire apread rapidly, and proved very destructive, consuming the machine shop, new car house, engine house, rail shop and part of the wood shed, together with two engines and part of a third, with all the machinery, tools, stock, &c. Nearly all the cars were saved. The loss will reach fully \$100,000; insurance \$35,000. The buildings destroyed were the property of the Passumpsic Railroad.

Pires in This City.

Between one and two o'clock on Thursday morning ire broke out in the tailoring establishment of Joseph Metzner, on the second floor of Nos. 183 and 185 Seventi and fourth floors, damaging the building, which is owned by St. Bridget's church, to the extent of three hundred by St. Bridget's church, to the extent of three hundred dollars; no insurance. Mr. Metzner's loss will be about one thousand dollars, insured for two thousand dollars on stock of clothing and eight hundred dollars on sewing machines and benches in the Germaila Insurance Company. The third floor is occupied by Albert Kammerer, taller, damage about one hundred dellars; in sured for nine hundred dollars in the International Insurance Company. The fourth by H. Shein, taller; damage fifty dollars; in insurance. The first floor is occupied by James Webb as a meat market: damage about flifty dollars; in insured in the Yorkees and New York insurance Company for three thousant dollars. IN BENSON SPREET.

Between eleven and twelve o'clock last night a fir oc urred in the seamen's boarding house kept by Samuel Forter, at No. 1 Beason street. The Bre, it seems, originated in the back room, first floor, occupied by Mr. Por-ter as a sleeping apartment. The flames spread into the

ter as a sleeping apartment. The flames apread into the front room, and the formture of both rooms was all destroyed. In the back room Mr. Porter had a closed in which he kept the back room Mr. Porter had a closed in which he kept the back room flames and the house. The loos is estimated on household furniture and wearing apparel at about \$500. Insured for \$2.250 in the Central Park Insurance Company. The building is damaged about \$500, insured. It is owned by Dr. Truman, residing at the corner of Canal and Varick streets. From the statement made to the Fire Marshal it seems one of the ledgers was permitted to go to this closest in the back room is got a close a close shirt some two or three hours before the description of the fire This man was suroking. It is believed that he either not fire to some of the bedelothing with his cigar or struck a match, and thus set fire to the premises some three or four of the bearders who were sheeping on the third foor had a narrow everage from sufficient in the room through the window, and sailor-like, they tied a rope to the street.

A fire, supposed to be the work of an incen-Pary broke out about two o'clock yesterday metring at Astoria, in the house of Dr. J. W. Scott, occupied by the government, and it was entirely destroyed. Insured for \$1,200.

Pire in St. Paul.
By Paul March 27
The Dakota House and the Washington Bosse fracts buildings) were destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$7,000 to \$8,000. Partially insured.

Pire at Hallfax, N. S. The office of the Hairax Son was destroyed by fire ins night. This paper and the editor and proprietor. Mr Ritchie, were consistent freezis of the United States throughout the war of the relection.

Theatricals at Home.

The legendary Irish drains Kithleen Macourneen was performed at the Grympic theatre, New Orleans, every evening, from March 15, to crowded houses, with Kathleen Mavourneen by Mrs. Charles Howard Walkins, Terence O'Moore, Mr. H. Weikins, and Black Rosly, Mr. F. A. Tannebill. The song "The Westing of the

The drams Minhael Earle followed by the councily of a Kles in the Dark, fill the Capterbury theatre, Washing-

Mr. Joseph Proctor has concluded his engagement at the Nashrille, Team, theatre, playing Team Robinson, in Nover Too Late to Mend, the fast night. Moor Julia Dely and Sam Hyun are at Wood without or

tochesti. Julia Bely as Passella, with songs, in it Female American County, and Sam Ryon as Tim O Brien.

in The Irun Emigrant.
The Penisse of fit Louis marched in a grant since Principle of the Levis Magnined in a years of the military processing to De Barra Opera House on the Patrick's evening the house barring been hired for a grand Fessian behefit. The drawns freiand on it is was played, with Dan & Carpulan by Mr. D. P. Vanderin,

Ragged Pas by Mr. Will J. Wiggins, and Judy O'Trot by Sim Nellie Mortimer. The faror The Little Robel foltage in full uniform, and the national supp of "Young" reland, the "Fenies Men," was given with great effect. Alassin, or the Wonderful Lam . , panks an a grand spectacle at the Varieties, St. Lovies.
Thayer & Noyes' grand circus combination emblished is

in Louis for one week from the 12th of March.

Responsibilities of Street Contractors. TERN HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR INJURIES ES-

SEPREME COURT CHICUIT, PART I.

Refore Judge James.

Lyman E Spaulding us Robert Jurding et at. The defendants in this suit were claimed to be street contractors, and in July 1866 were engaged in repairing riding in a light wagon with a friend on the night of the riding in a light warou with a friend on the night of the 15th, struck his vehicle against a flag which had been placed on the street by some laborers employed by the defendants. Mr. Spaulding was thrown under the wheels of a railroad car which was passing at the time and seriously injured, his left leg being crushed and some bones broken. Were it ust for the promptions of the driver of the car it was railmed that he would have been killed.

No defends was made by the contractors and the jury brought in a verdict for plantiff for nitizen hundred dollars.

Foreign Theatricals.

The programmes of the Paris theatres announced the following pieces for the 27th of February, six—
Theatre Francais—Le Lion Amoureux; Odeon—La Vie de Boheme; Opera Comique—Fior d'Aliza; Lyrique—L'Alcade, Rigoletto; Gymnaso—Helouse Paranquet, Lea Revoltées; Vandeville—La Famille Benoiton; Varieties Lambinet, Barbe Bleue; Palais Royal—La Foire aug Grotesques, La Consigne est de Ronfler, Un Mari sur des Charbons, Spartacus; Porte St. Martin—La Biche au Bois; Chatelet—La Lanterne Magique; Ambigu—Le Medecin des Enfants; Gaite—Le Coup de Jarnac; Dejazet Les Trous à la Lune, Les Décases du Hocuf Gras, A qui

le Casque; Folies Marigny...Bu! qui s'avance! Miss Milly Paimer has terminated a brief engagement at the Theatre Royal, Liverpool. Previous to her return to London she had a very flattering benefit in the i-quee, sppearing as Pauline in the Lady of Lyons.

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CONDITION OF DEURY LANK THEATRS.

(From the London Sau.)

Saturday the annual general meeting of the proprietors of the Brary Lane thearter company took place in the saloon of the Theatre Royal. The secretary read the report of the committee. The records for the year, including the balance of £1,334 5s 3d, on the Blat of December, 1564 amount to £2,478 2s, 1d; the payments amount to £8,656 ffs. 7d, leaving a balance of £1,21 8s, 6d. The records count for the theatre, and a further sum of £115 for extra performances during the season of 1864-5. The payments comprise the sum of £15,056 from 1864-5. The payments comprise the sum of £1,504 ffs. 3d, for four quarters rent to the Duke of Bedford, and £311 12s for rates and taxes, £2,100 have be n paid to the trustees of the new renters, and all the current expenses have been paid to the future propects of the theste.

DEATH OF A VANIRHLOQUIST.

DEATH OF A VENTRILOQUET.

[From the Manchester Times. Feb. 14.]

Tursday last Mr. Duncan Macmillan, the well known ventriloguist, died at bis residence, Bentinek place, Kilmarnock, Scotland, in the 49th year of his age. The immediate come of his death was bronchills. Mr. Macmillian has professionally visited, periodically, since 1345, the principal towns in England, where his talents in finitation and vocal disasten have won for him a name that will long be remembered.

Telegraphic Market Reports.

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Financians, March 22, 1866.

Stocks are firm Fonnsylvania faves 56 % Rending Railroad 50%, Fonnsylvania faves 56 % Rending Railroad 50%, Fonnsylvania Railroad 56 % American gold 127% Sight serbangs on New York at perfectioning declaring. Sales of cride at 22c.; refined for bond 37c., refined for 57c. 460c. Flour very dell; sales unimportant. Sales of fair red wheat at \$2, choice \$2.35 a \$2.40. Corn firm; sales of 4,000 bushels yellow at 70c. Sales of Fennsylvania whiskey at \$2.00 out \$2.28. Sales of 650 breat of beef cattle at 12c. a 15c, for common to good. Sales of 1900 head hors at \$13 a \$15 per 100 fix Sales of 5,000 head of sheep at 7c. a 8c per ib. Cows at \$20 a \$75.

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